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For: FOOTWEAR AND OTHER SYSTEMS INCLUDING A FLEXIBLE MESH OR BRAIDED CLOSURE SYSTEM	)	

**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the Final Office Action dated December 5, 2006.

**I. General Remarks Regarding the Content of this Request for Reconsideration**

Claims 7-23 and 30-37 remain pending in this application. No amendments are made by this paper, and no additional fees are due as a result of this paper.